

## **EXHIBIT 12**

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

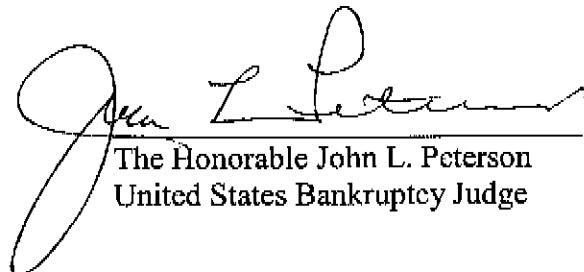
In re: )  
NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION, ) Case No. 03-12872 (JLP)  
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                               Reorganized Debtor. ) Re: Docket No. 2832  
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**ORDER DENYING JOINT MOTION OF MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT  
CORPORATION AND LAW DEBENTURE TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK**

For the reasons set forth in the Court's Memorandum Opinion of this date, the Joint Motion of Magten Asset Management Corporation and Law Debenture Trust Company of New York as Indenture Trustee for Order Pursuant to Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure Approving a Settlement Between Northwestern Corporation, Magten Asset Management Corporation, and Law Debenture Trust Company of New York [Docket No. 2832] is **DENIED**.

Dated: March 10, 2005



The Honorable John L. Peterson  
United States Bankruptcy Judge